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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

I am sorry about the delay in replying to your letter of November 12th. It has been caused by the sad fact that the strain of Salmonella bovis morbificans which I used in my experiments has died out, and I have been trying in vain to resuscitate it. I have not had occasion to use it for over 2 years. I have asked Dr. Joan Taylor to let me have a series of recently isolated strains and I shall try to find one which reacts in the way my original strain did. The latter, by the way, was one of a series isolated from an epizootic in our mouse colony.

I am sending the S. paratyphi C. It is tending to go rough, and the rough variants react better than the smooth with phage B4.

I understand that Dr. Stocker has written to you about my results with the strains and phages which he brought from your laboratory. To avoid a three-cornered correspondence, I shall not discuss this subject until I hear further from him.

Yours sincerely,

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